

Child & Family Support Worker

Reporting to Child & Family Wellbeing Manager

Child & Family Wellbeing Department/Health & Social Services

PERMANENT
FULL-TIME @ 35 HOURS
PER WEEK

Normal Work Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:15am to 4:30pm & Friday:

8:15am to 1:15pm

flexing of hours and "on-call" shift coverage will be required

Salary:

Start Rate - **\$32.07 to \$34.77 per hour***

*While Alderville First Nation Salary Grid will apply – start rate will be commensurate with experience.

Benefits:

- ✓ Paid Vacation!
- ✓ Paid time off over Holiday Shutdown!
- ✓ 14 Statutory Holidays!
- ✓ Paid Sick Leave!
- ✓ Group Health &
 Dental Benefits
 including Long-term
 Disability (LTD) and
 Employee Family
 Assistance Program
 (EFAP)!
- Pension Plan with Employer Match!

JOB SUMMARY:

The *Child & Family Support Worker* will actively work with children and their families (on and off reserve) to live a healthy and safe life free of barriers. This position will assist with addressing food security, obtaining safe housing, making applications to Jordon's Principle as well as making connections to existing community and professional services available to them. This position will be helpful in nature and will coordinate culturally appropriate support and prevention services for all families at risk of involvement or already involved with Child Welfare with the immediate goal of reducing the need for Child Protection services.

KEY JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Collaborates with Child Wellbeing Advocates and Child & Family Services Prevention Coordinators
 to support children and their caregivers in creating healthy routines that may involve in-home
 support, providing prevention services to families to avoid out of home placement and work toward
 family reunification for child(ren) placed in alternative care.
- Liaisons with the Child Wellbeing Advocates and Child & Family Prevention Services Coordinators on each aspect of intervention from commencement to conclusion of a file including but not limited to:
 - Providing regular supportive home visits.
 - Facilitating or making referrals for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR); participating as needed when it is relevant to AFN families.
 - Participating in Plans of Care for Child(ren).
 - o Participating in creating Plans for Families with goals for living a good life.
 - May attend Child Welfare, Family or Criminal Court in a supportive capacity.
 - Case manages families to encourage compliance with CAS requirements, recommendations and court ordered plans.
- Supports children in alternative care placements in accordance with the Child & Family Services Act and Ministry standards.
- Acts as support for Customary Care placements to guide and support them through the approval process.
- Identifies actual or potential child and family issues as they relate to child welfare.
- Works with the community-based prevention programs so children need not be removed from the community.
- Works as part of the AFN Health & Social Services Team and with other community resources to
 provide programming to the children
 friendly environment.
- Increases the awareness of preventative measures and works with relevant staff to benefit all ages in reducing substance abuse, juvenile delinquency, school failure, family problems and mental health issues.
- Teams with the Child & Family Prevention Services Coordinators to develop and implement prevention-based programming with a focus on parenting, healthy lifestyles, behaviour modification strategies, etc.
- Works in partnership with other staff to ensure that families & clients are engaged in workshops, courses, and public education programs.
- Ongoing reporting to the Child Wellbeing Manager and updates Child Wellbeing Advocates & Child
 Family Prevention Services Coordinators as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Minimum post-secondary (Diploma or Degree) in Social Work, Social Services, Human Services, or related field.
- Minimum of 3 years' experience working in Social Services or related field in a First Nation or Indigenous organization.

Minimum Requirements:

- CPR and First Aid, ongoing renewal as required to maintain current certification.
- Criminal Reference check and Vulnerable Sector Search are required if employment is offered.
- Must have valid class 'G' Ontario Driver's License, \$1M liability insurance and access to reliable transportation.

Specialization required:

- Must be non-judgmental and possess a kind heart and good mind to promote healing.
- Authorization training through DBCFS, or willing to obtain.
- Experience with Indigenous Alternative Dispute Resolution (IADR).
- Experience and/or training in Privacy Legislation.
- Demonstrated case management experience.
- Extensive experience and knowledge of the Child Welfare Act as it relates to Part 10 and DBCFS Protocol.

Considered an asset:

- Native Child and Family Service Worker Diploma.
- First Nation Child Welfare Advocate Certificate.
- Experience and proficiency in program administration with a solid knowledge base and proficiency in program and service development, delivery, and evaluation.

PREFERRED EXPERIENCE:

- Experience working with Indigenous children, youth, and families.
- Experience with a multi-disciplinary team approach.
- Ability to establish and develop an active and positive working relationship with all Child and Family Wellbeing Staff.
- Knowledge and understanding of Indigenous culture, traditions, teachings, community dynamics.
- Exhibits strong written, verbal and evaluation skills.
- Excellent computer skills for reporting and presentation purposes, and general office equipment knowledge.
- Initiative and ability to prioritize and work independently to meet deadlines.
- Ability to analyze problems, recommend and implement solutions.
- Good interpersonal skills to deal with First Nation residents, staff, and outside agencies.

** For full job description, contact Human Resources **

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Tuesday, January 7th, 2025.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications must include a cover letter, current resume and three work-related references (name, phone #, email address of former Supervisors) and/or letters of reference).

HOW TO CONTACT: Human Resources Recruitment

Phone: 905-352-2011 ext. 217

Email: <u>humanresources@alderville.ca</u>

Note:

Consideration will be given to documented past employment performance, attendance and reliability history for applicants previously employed by AFN. Applicants must meet the minimum qualifications outlined to be considered for an interview. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

The AFN is committed to employment equity. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however, qualified candidates who self-identify as members of Alderville First Nation or as "Aboriginal" as defined in the AFN Recruitment Policy, will be given preferential consideration for any position.

Chief & Council retain the right to make the final decision on the selection of the successful candidate.